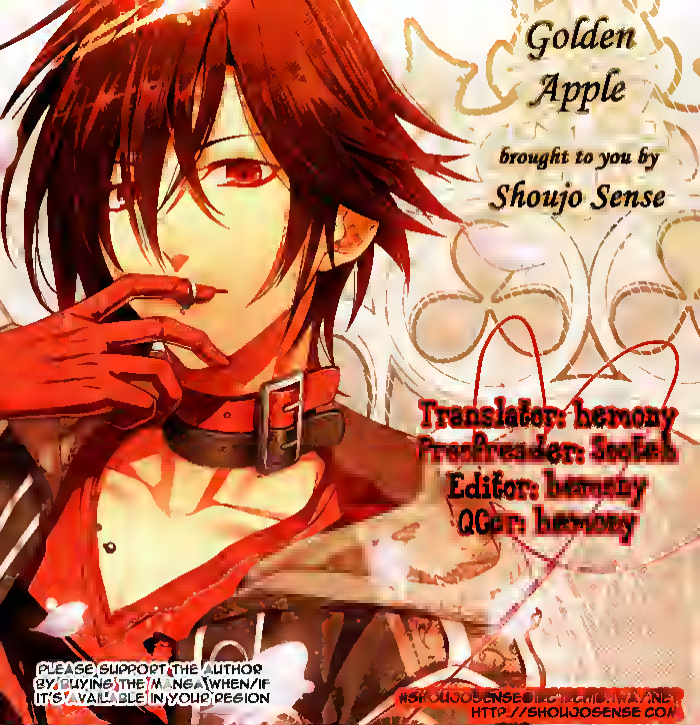
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At that time, I...
...absolutely didn't know what I could do...
I MADE THIS LUNCH BOX. IF YOU'D LIKE, PLEASE EAT IT
RYUUJI, I'LL GIVE YOU THIS TOO
OH, THANK YOU FOR ALWAYS DOING THIS
Because lunch is expensive.
To be honest, my family is a bit poor.
RYUUJI-SENPAI.
SFX CRACKLE

Kawano-san from the next class over meets my eyes a lot.
I'm a bit interested.
Doesn't it seem a bit like she likes me?
DING
DONG
DANG
ba-bump
Crap.. She's cute.
turn
RYUUJI! WE'RE ALL GOING TO PLAY YOU GOING TO JOIN US?
SORRY, I'LL PASS! I HAVE WORK NOW
Boo~
Ehh, again?
Boo~
I don't have the time or the money to play like you guys do.
Time is money
Somehow, lately it seems like it's been really bad at home...

HAVE YOU DECIDED ON YOUR ORDER, SIR?
WELCOME
Himm?
I don't have that kind of hobby.
And why is he wearing an aloha shirt? Even though he's a customer here...
Eh? Why is this old man...
SFX STARE
Eeeeeeeek!
SFX GRAB

He got me...
DO YOU HAVE ANY INTEREST IN SHOW BUSINESS?
...
Huh? Scout?
Amazing
...YES?
SFX NOISE (2X)

That's too suspicious!
I SHOULD BE ON BREAK IN OKINAWA RIGHT NOW. BUT FOR SOME REASON I ENDED UP IN OKAYAMA
Ahahahaha
Here's my business card
I'M FROM TOKYO PUBLIC ENTERTAIN-MENT AGENCY
AHH, SORRY FOR SUDDENLY ASKING THAT

No no
AND IF I AGREED, IT WOULD BE WORK IN TOKYO, RIGHT? MY FAMILY HAS NO MONEY FOR THAT
FOR A POOR HIGH SCHOOLER LIKE ME, THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE
Even if that information is true, there's no way I could do something so unstable in my current situation!

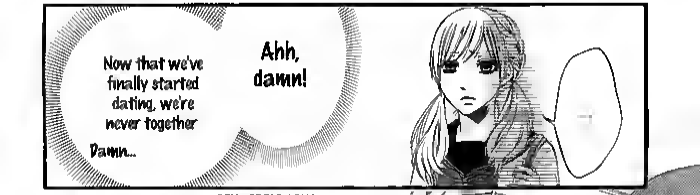
S-SEE YOU!
That's it
AH, MY ORDER...!
IF IT GOES ON LIKE THIS, THE END-OF-YEAR EMPLOYEE'S BONUS ASIDE, WE WON'T EVEN BE ABLE TO PAY THEM THEIR SALARIES
EVEN AT THE BEST OF TIMES, THE AMOUNT OF MONEY WE GOT BY BOWING DOWN...
Toilet...
YOU KNOW, DEAR...
SHUT UP! I KNOW THAT EVEN IF YOU DON'T TELL ME

He's always running away from the problems in front of him.
Father says that, trying to pin the blame on someone else.
ANYWAY, THERE'S NOTHING WE CAN DO IN THIS BUSINESS RECESSION!
WE'RE NOT AT FAULT!
You damn father. Open your eyes already
HASUNUMA-KUN...
PLEASE DATE ME
Yes!
The sakura are blooming
THAT'S TOTALLY OKAY!
AH— BUT I'M ALWAYS AT MY PART-TIME JOB, SO WE WON'T BE ABLE TO BE TOGETHER MUCH... IS THAT OKAY?
THAT CAN'T BE HELPED. IT'S TOTALLY FINE
PLEASE TAKE CARE OF ME FROM NOW ON.
Such a good girl...

That's right, me!
Bad things happen in life, but good things do too!
I feel like it'll work out somehow!
(And as I thought, Kawano-san, about me.)
I'M HOME.
...WH-WHAT HAPPENED?
THE FACTORY HAS GONE BANKRUPT.
ISN'T THE ATMOSPHERE DARKER THAN USUAL?
OF COURSE, WHEN WORK ISN'T COMING ...
IT SEEMS THAT THE BANK GOT EVERYTHING, BUT THERE'S NO SAVING IT ANYMORE... IT COULDN'T BE HELPED.
Eh!?
I'M GOING TO PACHINKO* FOR A BIT
DEAR! WHAT ARE YOU SAYING AT A TIME LIKE THIS?
WAIT A BIT, OLD MAN.
*JAPANESE PINBALL

DID YOU SERIOUSLY TRY HARD?
STOP IT, RYUUJI!!
...
...MOM.
I'LL INCREASE MY WORK HOURS.
DID YOU REALLY TRY TO DO SOMETHING?! HEY?!
DIDN'T IT COME TO THIS IN THE FIRST PLACE BECAUSE YOU GOT INTO DEBT...?
STOP IT!

HASUNUMA-KUN, LET'S GO HOME TOGETHER
KAWA-NO-SAN
SORRY! I HAVE A JOB INTERVIEW NOW
Sorry, but tomorrow again
LET'S EAT LUNCH TOGETHER
SORRY! I HAVE SOMETHING I NEED TO DO NOW
I don't have any money for lunch but I can't say something that lame.
HASU
SORRY, TODAY
I'm really sorry!



SFX TEDIOUSLY

And this old man's been coming here every day since then
SAY, HASUNUMA-KUN PLEASE RE-CONSIDER IT
THE AGENCY WILL TAKE CARE OF SCHOOL AND HOUSING, YOU KNOW? IT'S NOT A BAD DEAL, RIGHT?
He's pretty persistent ...
As usual, he's wearing an aloha shirt...
Coming in first meal-time to eat ice cream

tap
tap
tap
Yes!
I have some time before work today, so we can go home together.
We'll finally be alone.
Wait for me, honey
I'm coming

HE LOOKED LIKE A PRINCE WHEN I WAS WATCHING HIM, BUUUT...
I'VE BEEN NEGLECTED UNTIL NOW. IT'S UNHEARD OF. ARE WE REALLY DATING? IT'S THAT KIND OF FEELING...
IT'S LIKE THE IMAGE HE GIVES OFF IS SORT OF FALSE?
Is that so?
It's not going well.

There she is!

KAWA...
SOMEHOW, HASUNUMA-KUN IS A BIT OF A DISA-PPOINTMENT.

IT SEEMS HASUNUMA-KUN'S FAMILY FACTORY WENT BANKRUPT RECENTLY.
SO THE BOYS SAY THAT HE HAS NO LUNCHES EITHER.
EH? NO WAY, WAS IT THAT BAD?!
THEN HE CAN'T GO PLAY ANY-WHERE.
AS I THOUGHT, I SHOULD HAVE GONE OUT WITH THAT THIRD YEAR SENPAI.
Jeez~
AHH, THE ONE WHO CONFESSED TO YOU?
That's right
The hard-core one
I DIDN'T CHOOSE HIM BECAUSE HE WAS JUST COOL~
I don't get it.
I asked you right at start and you said it was fine, didn't you?
What's with that? Really women are scary.
THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
THAT WILL BE 639 YEN.
HERE'S YOUR CHAN-GE.
GOOD WORK
SFX: KA-CHING

I'm like an idiot, working hard alone...
Berry's
chew
UMM... THREE DRINKS, ANNND...
chew
chew
chew
THE PEPERONCINO CHEESE HAMBURGER SET AND RICE
SFX: GYAHAHAHA (ZX)
AH, AND A MARGARITA AND A LARGE SERVING OF POTATO. ~Thanks~
HELLO?!
HEY, WHAT ARE YOU DOING?! THAT'S DANGEROUS!
SHUT UP! LOOKING AT YOU IRRITATES ME!
HUH?! WHAT DID YOU SAY?!
ANYWAY, GO SEARCH FOR JOB! YOU'RE ALWAYS JUST HANGING AROUND THE HOUSE ...
Who's the one being irritated?
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Anno-ying...
sArug
UNDERSTOOD ...
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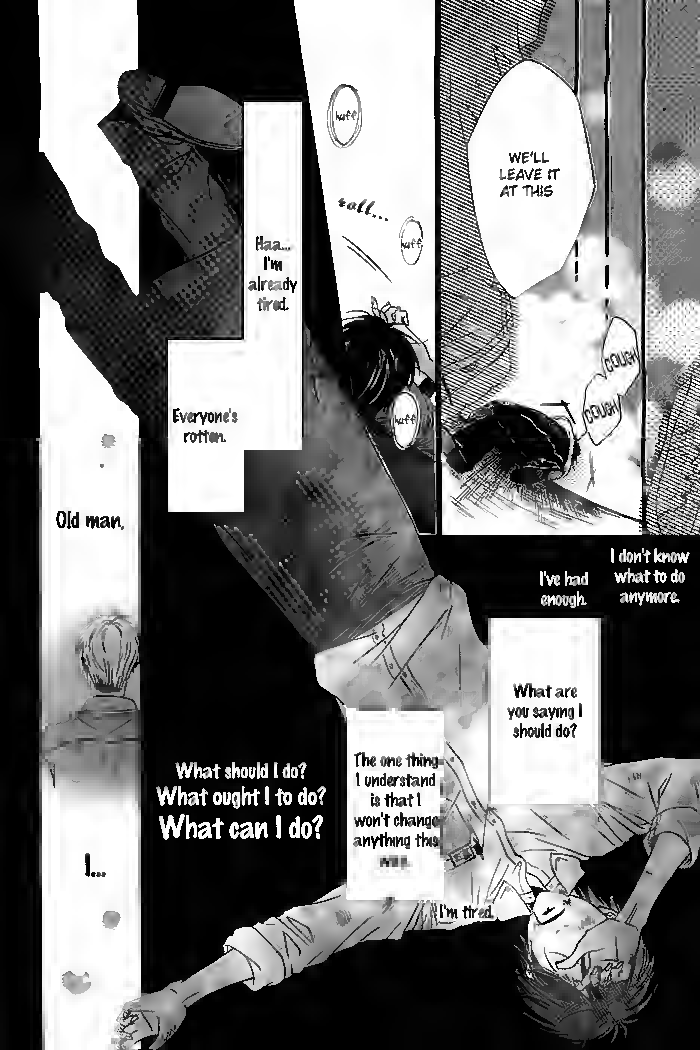
サッ
SFX: THUD
ONII-CHAN, THANKS FOR EARLIER~
HAA
BUT YOU KNOW, ONII-CHAN...
YOU NEED TO SMILE AT GUESTS PROPERLY.

SFX: PUNCH
WE'LL TEACH YOU HOW TO SMILE, NII-CHAN.
SHUT UP.....
HUH?
SFX: KICK
CONGU
BRAT
HEY! RESTRAIN HIM!
DON'T BE SO FULL OF YOURSELF, DAMN BRAT!
SFX: BANG BAM THUD BAM


WE'LL LEAVE IT AT THIS
COUGH
COUGH
huff
huff
huff
sigh...
Haa... I'm already tired.
Everyone's rotten.
Old man,
I...
I've had enough.
I don't know what to do anymore.
What are you saying I should do?
The one thing I understand is that I won't change anything this way.
What should I do?
What ought I to do?
What can I do?
I'm tired.

...don't want to give up without doing anything.
open...
KYAA! WH-WHAT?!
WHAT IS IT, HASUNUMA-KUN?! WHAT HAPPENED?!
M-MANAGER!
Jeez...
Wasn't what happened?! Are you all right?!
HASUNUMA-KUN, BE CAREFUL ON YOUR WAY HOME.
YOU SHOULD GO TO THE HOSPITAL, JUST TO BE SURE.
EH?!
SORRY, MANAGER. STARTING TODAY, I QUIT!

HEY, OLD MAN!
SFX STOP
TAKE ME TO TOKYO!
BEING A PERFORMER OR WHATEVER... I'LL DO IT!
Phew
YOU FINALLY DECIDED.
...AND BEFORE THAT,
DO SOMETHING ABOUT THAT FACE.

...Father...
...I won't run away.
TOKYO
JEEZ, YOU'RE PRETTY POPULAR, AREN'T YOU?
A PLACE TO LIVE, A PLACE TO LIVE... FANS FIND IT OUT SO QUICKLY.
PFT... MY CHARM ISN'T HALF-BAKED.
LISTEN UP! THIS TIME IS THE EXCEPTION. IT'S THE PRESIDENT'S OWN HOUSE SO IT WOULD BE TROUBLESOME!

SFX DING DONG
LISTEN, RYUUJI. THE PRESIDENT HAS ONE DAUGHTER, RINKO-CHAN.
DON'T MAKE ANY CARELESS MISTAKES.
OKAY~
YES?
SFX OPEN
At that time, I was a total brat.
There were lots of places in the world that I didn't know of.
And then I met you...
...and my world started to change for the second time.
END
THIS STORY CONTINUES AS A SERIES!